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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL--Alden Cutshall, of Lombard, has been named a 1984 recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award at Eastern Illinois University.

Cutshall, a 1932 graduate, spent 40 of his teaching years at the University of Illinois, including heading the Geography Department at the U. of I. at Chicago from 1964-69. He has taught part time since his retirement in 1972.

Cutshall received a master's degree in geography from the U. of I. and the doctorate from Ohio State. During his career he has been the recipient of a Fulbright research grant and a Fulbright lectureship. Last year he received the George J. Miller Distinguished Service Award of the National Council for Geographic Education.

Both Fulbright awards took him to the Philippine Islands. In 1964 he published his first book, "The Philippines: A Nation of Islands." For two years he was the associate editor of the "Philippine Geographical Journal."

He was instrumental in founding the Illinois Geographic Society and is an active member of the Geographic Society of Chicago. He has been president of both. Cutshall is a past recipient of the Distinguished Geographic Educator Award by the Illinois Society.

Eastern's president, Dr. Stanley Rives, will present plaques to the alumnus award winners at a special luncheon ceremony at Homecoming on Oct. 13.

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The other 1984 recipients are:

Elizabeth Podesta Hickman, Associate Dean of Counseling and
Residence Life, Marymount College of Virginia;

Ronald W. Davis, Professor of Biochemistry, Stanford University;

Eugene Aikman, a Mattoon (Ill.) dentist;

And, John Heath, Chairman, L.S. Heath & Sons, Inc., Robinson,
Ill.